

# **ONE VISION: MANY VOICES ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE FOR ALL STUDENTS**

**Summer Conference**

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## **CALL FOR PRESENTERS**

**AUGUST 7-9, 2006**

**ATLANTIC CITY CONVENTION CENTER  
ATLANTIC CITY, NJ**

**PROPOSAL DUE DATE: April 28, 2006**

Notification of acceptance by May 5, 2006

**CALL FOR PRESENTERS:** You are invited to submit a proposal to present a workshop during New Jersey's *One Vision: Many Voices* conference focused on issues pertinent to education of students from pre-kindergarten through secondary education.

**GOAL:** This is a conference designed to provide educators with the tools and knowledge necessary to increase performance of all students.

**AUDIENCE:** All elementary and middle school teachers including bilingual/ESL, special needs, and early childhood teachers; district administrators; community partners; integration specialists; literacy coaches; middle school teachers and principals; guidance counselors; reading specialists; curriculum and instruction supervisors; directors and coordinators; language arts supervisors; directors and coordinators

**SUGGESTED TOPICS:** Presentations may address, but are not limited to the following topics:

**Content Specific Topics:**

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| • Reading First, Intensive and Early Literacy Foci:          |                                  |
| Comprehension  | Writer's workshop                |
| Phonemic awareness   | Managing the 90-minute block     |
| Phonics  | Word walls                       |
| Vocabulary   | Literacy centers                 |
| Fluency  | Flexible grouping                |
| Background knowledge & Motivation                            | DIBELS                           |
| Read aloud   | ELAS                             |
| Shared reading   | Running records                  |
| Guided reading   | Kid watching/student observation |
| Independent reading  | Rubrics                          |
| Shared writing   | Portfolios                       |
| • LEADS project on middle school literacy                    |                                  |
| • Other language arts topics in elementary and middle school |                                  |

**Reaching all Learners:**

- Special Education
- Bilingual/ESL
- Narrowing the Achievement Gap
- Multiple Intelligences

**Curriculum and Instruction:**

- Differentiation
  - Integrating technology
  - Classroom Management
  - Assessment
  - Curriculum Mapping
  - Developing Higher Order Thinking skills
  - Progress Monitoring
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**APPLICANTS:**

Submissions are encouraged from the following individuals:

- Administrators
- Consultants
- Directors and Coordinators
- Teachers at all levels
- Reading/Literacy Coaches
- Media Specialists
- College and University Faculty Members and partners in grant programs
- Individuals with expertise in the areas of Special Education, Bilingual/ESL Education, and Early Childhood Education
- Recipients of awards for outstanding teaching practices
- Experts in assessment of standards
- Teams of two teachers integrating curriculum content standards
- Others

**PROPOSAL SUBMISSION**

Please attach a proposal of no more than four printed pages with the following information:

1. **TITLE OF PRESENTATION:** (Maximum of 10 words) The title should catch the attention of the conference attendees and accurately describe what your session will encompass.
2. **DESCRIPTION:** (Maximum of 75 words) Indicate the description that will be used in the conference program to succinctly, persuasively and accurately tell attendees what to expect from your session. What are the special features of your session?
3. **PRESENTATION PLAN:** (Maximum of 500 words) Provide a brief overview of your proposed session, including content activities, visual aids, and handouts. Describe the learning outcomes you expect and how you plan to ensure audience involvement. Traditional lecture is discouraged. Reviewers are looking for innovative/exemplary practices, new ideas, and active learning opportunities.
4. **SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCES IN CONDUCTING PRESENTATIONS:** (Maximum of 225 words) Provide a brief summary in bulleted format of the presenter's experience in conducting recent workshops and presentations at regional or national conferences (**Please attach a resume**).
5. Format for requested information is on the accompanying Call For Presentations Application Form.

Complete all information on the application (Maximum of 800 words).

- Font must be no smaller than 12 point
  - Single space with no blank lines between paragraphs
  - Indent paragraphs
6. The following are the review criteria:
    - Relevance to education issues: literacy, charter schools/vocational education, etc.
    - Extent to which the proposal complements the broad conference goals
    - Salience to the Target Audience
    - Originality

Send a copy of the completed proposal via email to the party from whom you received the document OR to the following address for receipt no later than April 28, 2006.

**New Jersey Department of Education  
Attn: Summer Conference Committee  
Office of Reading First  
P.O. Box 500  
Trenton, NJ 08625-0500**

Phone: 609-633-6355/Fax: 609-943-4752

#### **SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**

**Equipment Supplied by the Conference Sponsors**—Conference sponsors will provide overhead projectors, microphones (if size of room necessitates) and screens for each session. Projection devices for laptops will be available upon request with the proposal. Laptops need to be provided by the presenter. Final Audio visual needs will be confirmed with the principal contact prior to the conference.

**Program Changes**—The Program Planning Committee reserves the right to recommend changes in the proposals submitted and to encourage joint presentations, if multiple proposals are submitted on similar topics.

**Handouts** — Each presenter will be responsible for individual handouts.

**2006 NJDOE SUMMER CONFERENCE  
CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS APPLICATION FORM  
PROPOSAL DUE on or before April 28, 2006**

Please fill out in detail the presenter's and if needed, co-presenter's name, address, phone, fax and e-mail addresses. Use additional sheets if necessary. Please note: To avoid confusion, information will be sent only to the primary presenter who is then responsible to pass on the information to the co-presenters. (Please print or type.)

**PRESENTATION CATEGORIES:**

**Please indicate the topic of your presentation:**

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Please indicate the level which your presentation addresses (check all that apply):

☐ Pre-K ☐ K-3 ☐ 4-5 ☐ Middle/Junior High

Please indicate your target audience (check all that apply):

☐ Teachers ☐ Administrators ☐ Curriculum specialists/supervisors/directors

☐ Early literacy ☐ Middle grades literacy

☐ All educators ☐ Other, please list \_\_\_\_\_

Sessions will run for 1 hour and 15 minutes. If needed, double blocks of 2 hours and 30 minutes may be available in the afternoon only on Monday or Tuesday.

**Are you requesting a double block? Yes or No (circle one)**

**Would you be willing to repeat your session? Yes or No (circle one)**

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**Preferred Workshop Date(s): (Circle all that apply)**

Monday, August 7

Tuesday, August 8

Wednesday, August 9 (1/2 day)

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**Name of Presenter-Primary:**

Position:

Employer/Affiliation:

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Business Telephone:

Home telephone:

Fax:

E-mail address:

Summer E-mail address (after June 30):

Summer phone number (after June 30):

**Name of Presenter #2:**

Position:

Employer/Affiliation:

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Business Telephone: (     )

Home telephone: (     )

Fax:

E-mail address:

Summer E-mail address (after June 30):

Summer phone number (after June 30):

**Proposal: Please limit your responses to no more than four printed pages.**

**I. Title of Presentation** (Maximum of 10 words):

**II. Description of Presentation** (Maximum of 75 words):

**III. Presentation Plan** (Maximum of 500 words)

a. Provide a brief overview of your proposed session. Describe the learning strategies to be included and the participant outcomes. Explain how you plan to ensure audience involvement. Traditional lecture is discouraged. Reviewers are looking for innovative practices, new ideas and active learning opportunities.

**IV. Summary of Experiences in Conducting Presentations** (Maximum of 225 words) Provide a brief summary in bulleted format of the presenter's experience in conducting recent workshops and presentations at regional or national conferences.

**V. Equipment Needed:**

VCR/ TV Monitor \_\_\_\_\_ DVD/TV Monitor \_\_\_\_\_ Overhead projector (standard) \_\_\_\_\_

Flipchart/pad/markers\_\_\_\_\_

LCD projection unit (**Presenter must bring own computer**) \_\_\_\_\_

**\* Presenters will not have access to log on to the Convention Center network using their own computers**

Other needs (please describe): \_\_\_\_\_

**Room Set-Up:**

**All rooms will be set up in classroom style/banquet style with chairs at tables unless there is a specific need for a particular setting based on the presentation. Presenters will be notified of maximum room capacity for their presentations prior to the conference.**

**Thank you for submitting your proposal. We will be in contact on or before May 5.**

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